Don't Help a Good Bird Go Bad!



Find the marbled murrelet chick. This fluff ball is yellow with brown spots and a black beak. Murrelets nest more than 150 feet high on a branch in the redwood forest. Nearby, royal blue Steller's jays cackle and squawk in the campground. Jays circle and circle the treetops waiting for people to leave food scraps on their picnic table. Instead, they may spy a murrelet nest and eat an egg or chick! A protected forest for the murrelet, ancient redwoods stand more than 300 feet tall. Still, too many of these magnificent trees have been cut down. There may not be enough big old limbs for the murrelet to nest on. And there may be too many crows, ravens, and jays that find a murrelet nest to ruin. Help save the murrelet. It is an endangered species! Be sure to keep a clean camp at all times.